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MRS. THOMAS KEITH FERGUSON
the former Miss Paulette Faye Franklin

Wed In Evening Ceremony

The marriage of Miss Paulette Faye Franklin to Thomas Keith Ferguson took place on Saturday evening, December 16, at six o'clock in the Evergreen Baptist Church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Clifton Franklin, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas Ferguson, all of Appomattox.

The Rev. Edmond M. Terry, pastor of the church, officiated at the double ring ceremony before an altar of palms and candles.

A program of nuptial music was presented by Mrs. Cass Jendurski, soloist, accompanied by Mrs. Dan Harvey, organist.

The bride, escorted and given in marriage by her father, wore a gown fashioned of candlelight chiffon and Venice lace. The empire bodice of lace was finished with a Queen Anne neckline and long straight sleeves, finished with ruffles falling over the hand. The full floor length skirt of chiffon ended in a chapel train. Her mantilla veil of candlelight silk illusion was cut in scallops and edged with Venice lace.

The bride carried a bouquet of white rosebuds, stephanotis, centered with a white orchid and accented throughtout with baby's breath.

Miss Ginny Dutrow of Hampton was maid of honor. She wore a gown of wine velvet and qiana. The velvet bodice was finished with a scoop neckline and puffed sleeves of qiana; the full floor length skirt was of qiana. She carried a nosegay of holly and mistletoe.

Bridesmaids were Miss Melinda Paulette, cousin of the bride, of Roanoke; Miss Rita Inge, cousin of the bride, of Appomattox, and Miss Sandra Ferguson, sister of the groom, of Appomattox. Miss Amy Covington of Appomattox was junior bridesmaid. Their dresses were identical to that of the honor attendant and they carried nosegays of holly and mistletoe.

Miss Jennifer Courtney Mott of Blacksburg, cousin of the bride, was flower girl. She wore a slipper length gown of candlelight polyester fashioned with a round collar edged in matching lace; long sleeves ending in ruffles at the wrist and edged in lace; it was accented with a long wine sash. She carried a basket of daisy petals.

Mr. Michael S. Gallier of Fredricksburg, Va. was best man. Ushers were Mr. Eric Almond, cousin of the groom, of Evington, Va.; Mr. Emmitt W. Paulette, Jr., cousin of the bride, of Appomattox; and Mr. Dave Stanley of Pittsburg, Pa.; Mr. T. W. Ballowe, cousin of the bride, of Appomattox, was junior usher.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Franklin chose a gown of primrose qiana. The bodice was fashioned with a cowl neckline in front and back, long straight sleeves, and a full, floor length skirt. She wore a wrist corsage of red roses.

Mrs. Ferguson, mother of the groom, selected a floor length gown of aqua polyester knit. The neckline and empire waist were accented with matching braid and the long sleeves were edged in braid. She wore a shoulder corsage of red roses.

Mrs. Carolyn Dickerson of Appomattox was mistress of ceremonies and Mrs. Ethelyn Megginson, also of Appomattox, was in charge of the reception.

Attending the guest register was Miss Karen Covington of Appomattox.

Following the ceremony, the parents of the bride entertained with a reception in the church fellowship hall.

For her going-away outfit, the bride chose a plum colored tweed suit and wore the orchid from her wedding bouquet.

The bride is a 1974 graduate of Appomattox County High School and a 1978 graduate of James Madison University with a BS in Special Education. The bridegroom is also a 1974 graduate of Appomattox County High School and a 1978 graduate of Virginia Polytechnetic Institute and State University with a BS degree in Industrial Engineering and Operations Research. He is employed by Carolina's Hospital and Health Services.

Following a western wedding trip the couple will reside in Columbia, S.C.

Shower Honors Bride Elect

A surprise shower was given in honor of Miss Donna Marie Volturo, bride elect, on December 2, 1978, by Mrs. Lois M. Williams and her daughter, Roxanne.

Present for the shower were Mrs. Judy Volturo, mother of the bride elect; Mrs. Jean Volturo and Mrs. Jean Baer, grandmothers of the bride elect; and Mrs. Helen Faye Coleman, mother of the groom.

The Volture-Coleman wedding will be an event of March 17, 1979.

Donna Marie received many nice and useful gifts.

tree, a fireplace for Santa Claus, spotlights and Christmas greens, gay with ribbons. The dinner was delicious.

After introduction of the ladies, the entire M.Y.F. group trooped in with Santa Claus. The title of the program was "The Meaning of Christmas."

The theme was developed by alternate oral questions and answers, intermingled with readings, solos, and choral numbers, all admirably woven together.

Scotty Drinkard played the piano; solo and narrative parts were taken by Mark Drinkard, Laura Booth, Monica Carroll, Vickie Kerns, and A.C. Martin. The program ended with a resounding chorus to the well known Welsh tune "Deck The Halls".

Following the program, the club thanked Mrs. Carroll and all participants. President Don Jimison then called up Reverend George Hughes, the Club Chaplain, and read and presented the Club Citation, honoring him for his sermon on Ruritan Sunday. The citation read as follows: "For a most excellent meaningful, and truly vital sermon delivered at Red Oak Baptist Church, Oakville, on Sunday, May 21, 1978, in commemoration of Ruritan Sunday, the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of Ruritan Clubs, and for which the text, 'And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant:" St. Matt. 20:27, most perfectly describes the function and ideal of Ruritan Clubs, and by which sermon, the delineation between genuine service to mankind, and self-aggrandizement in the name of service, was made crystal clear, we tender to Reverend George E. Hughes, affectionately known to our club as 'Parson', our heartfelt thanks and appreciation. Your message was an outstanding contribution of service to the community, by you, personally." Signed by Don F. Jimison, President. Oakville Ruritan Club.

The following officers and directors were installed for the coming year by President Don Jimison: President, Lathan Harvey; Vice President, Francis Tyler; Secretary, Michael Weiss; Treasurer, Otho Martin; and Three-Year Director, Elmer Hampton.

The gavel was turned over to Lathan Harvey and after routine announcements of Committees for the coming year, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given and the meeting adjourned.

Oakville Ruritans Hear Christmas Program

The December meeting of the Oakville Ruritans featured Ladies night, Christmas dinner, delightful entertainment and installations of officers.

The dining tables were tastefully decorated with lighted red Christmas candles, printed menus, and individual favors. The dinner was prepared and served by the Trinity United Methodist Church, MYF. The dinner and program were under the direction of Mrs. Merlyn Carroll, assisted by Mrs. Nell Drinkard, Mrs. Rachel Drinkard, Mrs. Alise Parsons, Mrs. Virginia Kerns and Mr. Cliff Drinkard. The hall was decorated with a Christmas

MISS JOAN ELIZABETH HAMILTON

Engagement Is Announced

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Hamilton of Security, Colorado, announce the engagement of their daughter, Joan Elizabeth, to Cadet 1st Class John Andrew Notestein, II, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Notestein of Appomattox.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Widefield High School and Blair Business College. She is employed by Transamerica Title Insurance Company.

The groom-elect is a graduate of Prince Edward Academy. He is a candidate for May graduation from the Air Force Academy.

The couple plans a June 1st wedding at the Cadet Protestant Chapel at the Academy.

Society News

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Mr. Billy Evans of Hyattsville, Maryland spent the past week end with his mother, Mrs. S. J. Evans.

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E. W. Paulette, Jr. is spending the Christmas holidays at his home in Evergreen with his mother, Mrs. Frances H. Paulette.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mott and daughter, Jennifer, spent the past week end with her mother, Mrs. Frances H. Paulette.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ted Almond of Madison Heights were Sunday dinner guests of her mother, Mrs. S. J. Evans.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. West of Fairfax and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Williams of Charlotte Court House were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Davidson on Monday evening, December 18th.

J. Lloyd Hudson spent Thursday and Friday of last week with relatives in Clarksville.

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Mrs. Eddie Barron, of Arlington, and Mrs. Mary Thompson spent Friday night with Mrs. Barron's mother, Mrs. G. Lewis Doss. Mrs. Doss returned to Arlington on Saturday with her daughter and will spend some time with the Barron family.

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David Marshall, a senior majoring in Business Management at the College of William and Mary, was recently elected President of the William and Mary Chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma. Beta Gamma Sigma is a National Business Honorary Fraternity. Membership in the fraternity is the highest scholastic honor that a student in Business Administration can obtain.

David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Marshall of Appomattox.

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Miss Marie Fraley, a student at James Madison University, arrived home Thursday and will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Fraley, Jr.

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R. L. Harris, a student at James Madison University, arrived home Thursday and will spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harris.

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Program of Christmas Music To Be Presented

On Thursday evening, December 21 at eight o'clock in the Appomattox County High School Auditorium the All County Choral Group will present a program of Christmas music.

Combining talent of the Appomattox County Middle School Chorus, the Appomattox County High School Chorus and the Appomattox County High School Concert Choir the presentation is under the direction of Teresa Quensenberry.

There will be no admission charge and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Announce Birth

Mr. and Mrs. Kerry V. Nelson proudly announce the birth of a son, Steven Edward, born December 14, 1978 at the Virginia Baptist Hospital. Steve weighed 9 pounds and 6 ounces.

The Nelsons have two other sons, Michael Wayde and David Scott. Mrs. Nelson is the former Carol Stratton of Stonewall.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. E. Marshall Stratton and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Nelson of Anaheim, Calif.

TOPS News

Lois Smith, Reporter

The December meeting of TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) was called to order by Susan Martin - leader. The pledge was recited by the members.

Elaine Carson was the best loser of the week with a loss of 6 pounds. Vivian Bryant was runner up with a loss of 5¼ pounds.

The contest which began on November 9, 1978 ended on December 14. The winners are as follows: First prize - $50.00 - Vivian Bryant, Second prize - $30.00 - Virginia Shelton, Third Prize - $10.00 - Thelma Knight, and Forth prize - $5.00 - Dale Bryant. All of these girls worked hard to win this contest. A new contest and its rules will be announced at a later date.

Vivian Bryant had charge of the program for the week. Her topic was "Pointers To Make Dieting Easier." Vivian gave an enjoyable and interesting program.

Girls don't forget to bring a $2.00 Christmas gift to exchange at the December 21 meeting.

The next meeting will be held on December 28, 1978. Weigh-in 6:30. Meeting 7:00 Fidelity Branch Bank.

MRS. DAVID ROGER DRINKARD
THE FORMER Miss Linda Sue Foster

Wed In Afternoon Ceremony

The marriage of Miss Linda Sue Foster of Lynchburg to Mr. David Roger Drinkard of Route 3, Appomattox took place Saturday, December 16, 1978, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at Beulah Baptist Church in Lynchburg.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Steve Foster of Crossville, Tennessee.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fleming W. Drinkard of Appomattox and the late Roberta G. Drinkard.

The Rev. Elwood R. Orr, pastor of Beulah Baptist Church, and Rev. Ronald K. Morris, member of the Virginia United Methodist Conference, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride was escorted and given in marriage by her father.

Mrs. Patricia W. Clough of Lynchburg was matron of honor. Other bridal attendants were Mrs. R. Warren Drinkard of Spout Spring, sister-in-law of the bridegroom; Mrs. Richard C. Lewis of Appomattox, sister of the bridegroom; Mrs. Robert L. Culbertson of Logan, West Virginia; and Mrs. James F. Cuvelier of Big Island.

Mr. Drinkard was his son's best man. Ushers were Mr. R. Warren Drinkard of Spout Spring, brother of the groom; Mr. Richard C. Lewis of Appomattox, brother-in-law of the groom; Mr. James W. Huckaby of Nashville, Tennessee, uncle of the bride; and Mr. James Lawson of Richmond.

Following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Foster were hosts for a reception in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

The bride is a 1972 graduate of Albermarle High School in Charlottesville and a 1974 graduate of National Business College in Roanoke.

The groom is a 1973 graduate of Appomattox County High School, a 1977 graduate of Perrum College, and is presently attending Candler Divinity School, a graduate division of Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia.

Following a wedding trip to Williamsburg, the couple will make their home in Atlanta, Georgia.

After Rehearsal Party

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Ferguson entertained on Friday evening, December 15th with an after rehearsal party at their home on Morton Lane honoring their son Keith and his bride-to-be, Miss Paula Franklin.

The wedding of Miss Franklin and Mr. Ferguson was an event of Saturday evening, December 16th in the Evergreen Baptist Church.

The Ferguson home was decorated throughout with the Christmas theme. In the dining room white snapdragons, white mums, greens and candles carried out the bridal theme.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson were assisted in caring for their guests by their daughters, Misses Sandra, Gloria and Rita Ferguson, Mrs. Alma Almond and Mrs. Edith McCormick.

Have a Happy Yule . . . and a Safe One!

Merry Christmas
We're wishing that you'll enjoy warmth and peace at your hearthside this Christmas. It's our way of saying thank you for a truly fine relationship.

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MRS. GARY WAYNE TANNER
the former Miss Veronica Laine Franklin

Wed In Double-Ring Ceremony

The marriage of Miss Veronica Laine Franklin to Gary Wayne Tanner took place at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 16, in Memorial United Methodist Church, Appomattox.

The bride is the daughter of

Honored on Twenty-Fifth Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. James P. Paulette of Route 1, Appomattox was honored on Sunday, December 17, when their children entertained from two until five in the afternoon at the Paulette home with a reception celebrating their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

The Paulette home was decorated throughout with the Christmas theme. On the dining room table white snapdragons, white roses, white mums, Christmas greens and candles carried out the bridal motif.

A tiered wedding cake, punch, and other refreshments were served guests who called in the afternoon.

The Paulettes are the parents of three daughters, Hope, (Mrs. Milton Ferguson); Donna, (Mrs. Bill Terry) and Robin; two sons, Jimmy and Jeffrey, all of Appomattox.

Mr. and Mrs. Paulette were married on December 19, 1953 at the Evergreen Baptist Church by the Rev. David L. Bailey.

Holiday Shopping On a Budget

We all know it's more blessed to give than to receive, but giving's no fun if you wind up receiving more bills than you can handle after New Year's Day.

It's a good idea, say financial counselors, to have a budget worked out *before* you start buying. List the people you plan to gift, along with the estimated cost of each gift, and see whether the total estimate is within your means. If not, make some changes now.

Having a general idea of the gifts you plan to buy will help you shop for the best bargain, through your local newspaper. Keep an eye out for sales or specials on the particular items you will be shopping for.

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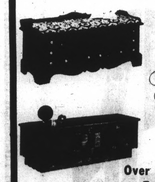

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Miss Jill Franklin, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Miss Franklin wore a floor length gown of primrose quiana. The blouson bodice was attached to a cowl neckline yoke and long bat wing sleeves. Miss Franklin carried a nosegay bouquet of pink minature carnations, flocked with baby's breath and dramatized with red sweetheart roses. The bouquet was accented by velvet streamers.

Serving as bridesmaids were Miss Valerie Hess, of Bridgewater, and Miss Deborah Franklin of Pocantas, cousins of the bride; Miss Cathie Tanner of Concord, cousin of the bridegroom; and Miss Penny Cabaniss; Miss Marinda Lawson; and Miss Cynthia Morris, all of Appomattox. Their gowns were fashioned the same as the honor attendant. The attendants carried bouquets similar to that of the honor attendant.

Mr. Hugh Tanner served as his son's best man. Ushers were Steve Tanner, brother of the bridegroom, and Frank Tanner, cousin of the bridegroom, both of Concord; Mark Krajewski and Ralph Harris of Appomattox; Ronnie Richardson of Pamplin, and Gary Wagner of Rustburg.

The flower girl was Miss Christy Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Smith of Appomattox. Miss Smith wore a primrose floor length gown and carried a basket of flower petals. Master David Wilburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wilbun, was ring bearer.

Mr. Daniel Stratton of Concord presented a program of nuptial music with Mrs. Richard Lawson of Appomattox as soloist. Attending the register was Miss Donna Robinson of Appomattox.

Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Franklin entertained with a reception in the church fellowship hall. Assisting at the reception was Miss Judy Ayers, Miss Brenda Bowling, and Miss Linda George all of Appomattox, and Miss Karen Gillaspie of Concord.

After a wedding trip the couple will live in Concord.

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MRS. RICHARD LEE SCHERER
the former Miss Mary Elizabeth Yeakley

Wed In Double Ring Ceremony

The marriage of Miss Mary Elizabeth Yeakley to Richard Lee Scherer took place at four o'clock Saturday afternoon, December 16, 1978, in River Road Baptist Church, Richmond.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Luther Yeakley of Richmond, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Earl Scherer, also of Richmond.

The Reverend Dr. James H. Slatton, pastor of the church, officiated at the double ring ceremony. Mrs. Grant Elliott served as mistress of ceremony.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a formal wedding gown of white Polyester organza. The bodice of the full, skirted gown was styled with a v-neckline and natural waist. Bands of re-embroidered alencon lace accented the fitted bodice and waistline. The full sheer bishop sleeves were finished with narrow lace cuffs. The hemline of the floating skirt and full chapel length train was edged in matching alencon lace and fell from a lace covered camelot cap accented with seed pearls.

She carried a cascade of white roses, baker fern, and ivy.

Mrs. Marty Moore, of Appomattox, Virginia, a cousin of the bride, was matron of honor. Attendants were Mrs. Ruby Scherer of Richmond, Miss Betty Ridgway of Halifax, Mrs. Debbie Rasberry of Virginia Beach and Miss Karen Young of Windsor. They wore formal gowns of forest green polyester silesta knit. They were styled with a blouson bodice and long fitted sleeves. The full pleated circular skirts fell from a natural waistline accented by a matching tie belt. Attendants carried nosegays of white mums, pine, and holly.

Mr. Scherer was his son's best man. Ushers were Wallace Scherer Jr., Robert Smith, Henry Ware, and Bruce Kirk, all of Richmond.

The mother of the bride, formerly Elizabeth LeGrand of Appomattox, wore an A-line formal gown of apricot quiana. The natural waisted gown featured full bishop sleeves and a pleated bodice which ended in a short peplum. Her corsage was of talisman roses.

The mother of the groom wore a formal gown of mint green chiffon. The fitted bodice was styled with a cumberbun. Venise lace edged the V neckline and full sheer bishop sleeves. A full circular skirt fell from the natural waistline of the bodice. Her corsage was of yellow roses.

Following the ceremony, the parents of the bride were hosts for a reception in the fellowship hall of the church.

The bride is a graduate of Longwood College and received her masters degree from Virginia Commonwealth University.

The groom is a graduate of the University of Richmond and received his masters degree from Virginia Commonwealth University.

After a wedding trip to Nassau and Florida, the couple will live in Richmond, Virginia.

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MISS PEGGY GAYLE FERRELL

Engagement Is Announced

Mrs. June A. Lawson of Narrows wishes to announce the engagement of her daughter, Peggy Gayle Ferrell, to Charles Lee Fraley, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fraley, Jr. of Appomattox.

Miss Ferrell is a graduate of Narrows High School and is co-owner of Him's and Her's Hair Flair in Narrows.

Mr. Fraley is also a graduate of Narrows High School and is a senior at Randolph Macon College where he is majoring in psychology.

An open church wedding is planned for February 3, 1979 with a reception immediately following.

Garden Club Decorations Contest Tonight

The Appomattox Garden Club is sponsoring a decorations for homes contest in Appomattox this Christmas and the judging will be tonight, Thursday, beginning at 6 p.m.

Mrs. K. E. Coleman, member of the local club, is shown in photo above, contemplating her door decorations for this Christmas. The Colemans have won first place for door decorations several times in years past.

To be judged will be door decorations and over-all outside home decorations. Judging will be divided into two classes, traditional and modern, for both door and over-all outside decorations.

It is not too late to have your decorations judged, call Mrs. Ann Staples today and tell her your address and that you'd like to have your door or over-all decorations judged. All lighting should be turned on no later than 6 p.m. tonight.

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